

PATENT APPLICATION
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Group Art Unit 1655 :

In re application of :

Willem J.M. VAN DE VEN et al. : **PLAG GENE FAMILY AND
TUMORIGENESIS**

Serial No. 09/242,772 :

Filed June 25, 1999 :

Examiner - Cynthia B. Wilder :

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
March 14, 2000

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant requests a one-month extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action. The outstanding Action was mailed on January 14, 2000 and the period set for response was three months, bringing the response to be due on February 14, 2000. Therefore, a one-month extension of time will bring the response due on March 14, 2000.

A check in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed to cover the extension fee. A response to the outstanding Action is filed concurrently herewith.

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on March 14, 2000.

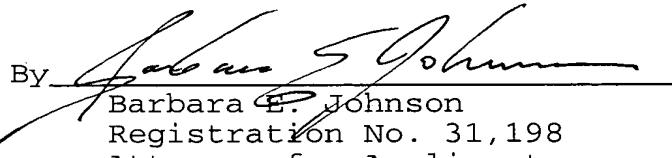
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Signature Date

The Assistant Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-0650. Please refund any overpayment in the form of Electronic Funds Transfer to the bank account of record for Webb Ziesenhein Logsdon Orkin & Hanson, P.C. The original and two copies of this Petition are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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